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Harrington Park Environmental Commission  
June 1, 2016, 7:30 pm Meeting

Theresa Hazelton began the meeting at 7:37 with the following announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. It was included in the 2016 annual notice posted in the Borough Hall. Copies have been mailed to THE RECORD, NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS, and the NORTH JERSEY SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

Roll Call:	Peter Ardito-absent	Cindy Kennedy-present
	Mary Ann Schran-absent	Laura Fitzgerald-present
	Anne Lander-absent	Theresa Hazelton-present
	Joannie Turner-present	

Also present: Judy Hunter, Green Team

**Minutes of May 4, 2016:** Joannie moved to approve, second Theresa. All in favor. Carried.

**Green Team Portion of Meeting:** The renewal certification for Sustainable Jersey is due at midnight 6/5. 150 points are needed. Cindy sent a writeup to Mary Ann about composting. It would be good to have composters at the 5K for peels and rinds and have GT/EC members available for conversation. Also, the updated Buy Fresh.Buy Local is finished. It should go to Ann Bistriz to link to GT and EC on Website—also, the Council person, 2016 minutes, and other updates are needed for the website. Marti will pass on to Ann.

The Mayor and Council approved the Green Team resolution.

The school recycling issue has been resolved. A schedule has been established with Miele. The Garden Club now has 15 beds; they are still trying to save for a rain garden.

Joannie will write up recycling. Theresa suggested having a separate meeting for Sustainable Jersey during the year. Laura will work on prescription drug collection. Marti pointed out that “Mr. Tom” at school told a delivery truck to cut his engine—good sign for environmental awareness!

**FROM the Mailbox:**

Miele has renewed its application for solid waste certification.

Allegro is applying for 3 Flood Area hardship exceptions.

**ERI****Treasury Report: As of 5/31/16**

Environmental Commission Green Team account balance is 833.19

T-Mobile Tree Escrow is 7089.01

Bergen County Mini Grant is 1200.00

Regular Operating Budget is 100.00

**Old Business** Peter has offered trees to the Rec Commission (again) for Highland. They are concerned about the roots.

Cindy voiced the need to move ahead with the tree farm.

Canopy: Mary Ann will donate. Cindy will look into tables and talk to KJ.

Theresa, Joannie, and Cindy will work the White Elephant sale.

**New Business** Donna Ardito noticed tree cutting at Giles and Carman. Peter followed up. HP is slated for a new power grid due to its many power outages. Several trees have been trimmed or removed. He spoke to the Mayor who spoke to O&R. the company will meet with Peter, Mark, Michael Hakim, and the Mayor about future planned tree cutting. Also, for lighting, protocol is to report outages to police. 2% maximum can be replaced per year.

The school is preparing a modular classroom this summer. The plan endangers a tree. Peter suggested replanning to save it.

The Rec Commission contacted Peter in concern over the bee hive. Peter invited Tom Gleason to see the location. Tom suggested moving to another location; however, it has to be a sunny spot. NB: There are no official games at this field. Theresa stressed that the risk manager must be noticed. Cindy suggested putting it behind the Suez fence. Theresa pointed out that the water company must sign off concerning liability.

**Town Day** Theresa has requested there be no petting zoo; all of EC agrees. Peter and Theresa have reached out to rescue organizations. EC/GT will sell lemonade, one kind of cookies, air plant terrariums, composters, and pieces of fruit for a quarter.

**Adjournment—Next scheduled meeting 7/6/16** Cindy moved to adjourn, second Laura. All in favor.